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Miss Sallie Wallace, aunt of S. S. and
J. C. Wallace, passed peacefully away
last night at 10 o'clock, after many
months of patient suffering from nervous prostration at the age of 72. In her
death the world has lost one whose fortitude and kindness seldom finds a parallel, and behind her she has left an example worthy of emulation. She was a
faithful believer in the saving power of
Christ, and was a member of GreeneMemorial Church, but on account of ill
health she was deprived of its sacred health she was deprived of its sacred privileges. Funeral services from her late home, 922 Roanoke street, at 3:30 to-day. Interment in City Cemetery.

Visiting cards engraved at Caldwell-

LECTURES NEXT WEEK.

Rev. Dr. C. N. Grandtson, of North Carolina, a colored temperance lecturer well-known throughout the country, arwell-known throughout the country, arrived here at noon yesterday and will deliver a series of addresses on various topics nightly at High Street, Colored Baptist Church this week for the benefit of the church. The admission fee is ten cent: and seats have been specially reserved by the congregation for such of their white friends as may desire to attend.

FINE HORSES.

The car load of fine horses which were unloaded yesterday at the stables of W. H Horton & Co., will be held here until Tuesday when tiey will be shipped to Raltigh, N. C., where they will be sold. Among them are several fine match teams and single drivers.

AMERICAN CONSUL ARRESTED.

According to Reports He Was Painting Lisbon a Carmine Hue.

Lisbon a Carmine Hue.

Lisbon, Feb. 19—The Portuguese newspapers are making a great fuss over the proceedings of the American consul in the Azores, now visiting here, who, after going to various cafes, entered into an altercation with his cab driver about, 3 o'clock this morning.

The police had to intervene. The Con-sul, who received a wound in the head, was taken to the police headquarters, from which he was released to-day at the request of the Umted States consul here. The newspapers ask if the incident will lead to an "exchange of explanations" between the cabinets at Lisbon and Washington

and Washington. OVER A HUNDRED DEAD.

Boschum, Prussia, Feb. 19.-So far 110 bodies have been recovered from the Vereinigte Carolinenglueck colliery, which was destroyed yesterday by an explosion of fire damp.

Passed by the House After Four Days of Discussion.

BANKRUPTCY BILL.

Washington, 'Feb. 19.—After a four days' discussion the House at 6 o'clock to-night, by a vote of 159 to 125, passed a substitute for the Nelson Senate bank-ruptcy bill, prepared and reported by the committee on judiciary. Efforts to strike out the features providing for 'the involuntry bankruptcy and to exclude the committee on judiciary. Efforts to strike out the features providing for the involuntary bankruptcy and to exclude corporations from the operations of bill, and to agree to the Strate bill, which provided only for voluntary bankruptcy, were defeated by votes of 158 to 139 and 153 to 114, respectively.

A motion by Mr. Mahany, of New York, to limit the operations of the bill to two years was first adopted by a vote taken by tellers; but on a vote by yeas and nays it was defeated.

In the last Congress the House passed substantially the same bill, providing for both voluntary and involuntary bankruptcy, by a majoriy of 76 votes; but at that time the question of including both features had but 16 majority. The bill now goes into conference.

New books just in. Caldwell-Sites Co.

. THREE NEW CONSULATES. Senate Changes in the Diplomatic and

Consular Bil. Washington, Feb. 19.-The Senate comwashington, Feb. 19.—The Scinte com-mittee on appropriations to day com-pleted consideration of the diplomatic consular appropriation bill. The com-mittee added a second secretary to the St. Petersburg embassy as a salary of \$2,-

Three new consulates are created, as follows: At Bombay, India, salary \$2,.600; at Mazatllan, Mexico, \$1,500, and at

Nacvitas, Cuba, \$1,500. The rank of consul at Quebec was advanced from the fifth to the fourth class at \$2,500, and that of the consul at Eierra Leone, West Africa, from the seventh to the sixth rank and the salary increased to \$1.500.

"If you are looking for a chance to make a good investment, you cannot do better than to put your money into the Elkhorn-Alaska Gold Mining and Development Company. Mr. L. Netland, their president, is at the Ponce de Leon Hotei, and will be glad to see you. Give him a cail."

THOMPSON TRIAL BEGINS.

Members of the W. C. T. U. Taking an Active Interest in the Case.

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Norfolk, Feb. 19.-T. Q. Thompson, a former Norfolk and Western railroad dispatcher in this city, was placed on trial in the corporation court to day upon the charge of criminally assaulting Naomi Wood, a17-year-old girl, in the house of Bertle Franklin, alias Myers, in Smith street, whither he had eatled her.

The members of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union are taking an active interest in the case, a delegation from that body being in court to-day during the trial. Among the prisoner's witnesses is Rev. J. T. Mastin, of Richmond. The trial will consume about two days.

Tube paste 10c. Caldwell-Sites Co. RELIEF BOAT STRANDED.

Lucille, With Government Expedition, Waiting for a Tow to Dyea

Tacoma, Wash , Feb. 19 .- The ship Tacoma, Wash. Feb. 19.—The ship Lucille, having on board the government relief expedition, is stranded at Departure Bay, waiting for something to come along and tow it to Dyea.

The Lucille has 112 mules, 100 tons of freight, five packers, two United States officers, and twenty-four men. As there

is a scarcity of tugs on the sound, and as owners of all steam vessels plying be-tween here and Alaska bave their hands full, the hour of the Lucille's departure from its present location is a little vague and indefinite.

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BANK SENSATION.

Prominent Citizens of Dover Implicated in the Scandal.

Wilmington, Del., Feb. 19 - A tremed dous sensation was created here this morning by the surrender of William M. Boggs, the alleged defaulting teller of the First National Bank of Dover, to the fed

eral authorities.

At the same time Ezekiel T. Cooper.
Thomas S. Clark, Henry Butler and
Amos Cole, alleged accomplices of Boggs.

were placed under arrest, but later they were released on \$5,000 bail.

All the parties are prominent in church, social and business life and others are likely to be implicated. The bank was robbed of \$105,000 on June 21, 1897.

ASHBY GUILTY OF PERJURY.

Hampton, Va , Feb. 19 - The trial of corge W. Ashby, a prominent citizen of this place, for perjuty, which has been in progress before Judge Baker P. Lee more than a week, came to a close to-day. At 6:30 the jury returned a verdict of guilty and fixed punishment at one minute in county jail and \$5 fine.

WHAT THE BILL DOES.

Cuts Made by the General Appropriation Committee.

Richmond, Feb. 19.—Senator Wickham made a two hours' speech on the general appropriation bill to-day, giving reasons for each change from the appropriations of the last a-semi-ly. He holds that the State is in a splendid financial condition, notwithstanding she owes \$26,000,000 and has \$90,000 cash on hand. The bill makes the following changes from former appropriations:

Cuts the attorney general \$250 per year; his clerk, \$100; the auditor, \$250; the auditor's clerks, \$3,000. The cuts of other officers average about 10 per cent. The bill abolishes the offices of register of land office, the engineer to capitol and the guard of the library building by making no appropriation. It cuts the Eastern State Hospital \$5,000; the Western State Hospital at Staunton \$10,000; the Hichmond Medical College, \$1,000; the University of Virginia \$2,500; the Vit ginia Military Institute \$5,000; the public schools, Blacksburg College, Normal and Collegiate Institute, and William and Mary College remain unchanged.

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The senate passed thirty-five bills and the house about the same number.

John L. Mantie was found dead in his room at Norfolk this morning. He blew out the gas and passed away.

The house to day passed the bill presented by Delegate Kizer, of Norfolk, providing for a labor bureau.

Senator Claytor has presented to the senate a petition from twenty five school teachers in Roanoke county, asking that the age of admittance to the schools for children be made 6 instead of 5 years.

And Lang Syne by May Maller, Cald

Auld Lang Syne by Max Muller. Cald well-Sites Co.

A SPANISH MINER KILLED. Feliow Workers in Ohio Drive a Pick Into His Brain.

Wellston, O., Feb. 19.—A Spanish miner to-day, in a crowd of miners near Glenroy, boasted that Spain would make short work of the United States in case of a naval war. He had barely uttered the boast when a pick was driven into his brain, killing nim instantly. He went by the name of Alexander Alexandrier. It is not yet known whether he was a naturalized citizen of the United States or still a citizen of Spain. States or still a citizen of Spain.

LEITER FIGURES ON \$1.50 WHEAT.

He Was a Buyer and Not a Seller as Reported.

Reported.

Chicago, Feb. 19.—Joseph Leiter made emphatic denial to-day of the report that he disposed of 5,000,000 busbels of his May holdings of wheat during yesterday's excited trading. He was credited with making a profit of \$500,000. He says:

"I not only did not sell a bushel of wheat yesterday, but bought wheat. The current prices are only the beginning of a range from \$1.25 to \$1.50 per bushel. That's what I propose to sell 'my wheat at."

"Go to the Ponce de Leon Hotel and have a talk with Mr. L. Netland, presi-dent of the Elkhorn-Alaska Gold Mining and Development Company, who has something of interest to tell you. See their advertisement on page 4 of this pa-per."

WE NEED NO ASSISTANCE.

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Washington, Feb 19.—The news event of the day in Washington was the prosept decision of the administration to make an independent investigation anto the disaster to the Maine. McKinley, Long and Day, after two hours of conference, decided to cable Lee to respectfully but firmly declare to the Spanish authorities that their sid in ascertaining what caused the explosion on the Maine was not needed and would not be accepted. The United States is quite capable of satisfying itself as to what caused the disaster. If, after the United States investigation is fluished, Spain wishes to make an inis fluished, Spain wisbes to make an in-dependent investigation, this Govern-ment has no objections.

STORM AT NEW ORLEANS.

New Orleans, Feb. '19.—A violent sterm swept over New Orleans this morning, doing considerable damage to property. Moewen & Murray's lumber mills and the Kentucky cotton press were un roofed and otherwise damaged. One church and about forty hauses occupied by narrows were blown down. by negroes were blown down.

BATTLESHIP FLOATED.

Port Said, Feb. 19.—The British first class battleship Victorious, which left Malta on February 11, bound for China, and which went ashore outside the bar here on February 14, has been floated.

See cut-rate price list of Ideal Steam Laundry on page 4.

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EVIDENCE ACCUMULATING

That the Maine Was Blown Up by the Dirty Spaniards.

Havans, via Key West. Feb. 19.—The following in connection with the blowing up of the Maine has developed.

Three days before the explosion a boat containing three Spanish sailors was seen rowing from Michina in the dicrection of the Maine. The Spanish sentinel of the Machina what f challenged them. They stopped, came shore and after being detained about an hour were released, as they gave a satisfactory explanation as they gave a satisfactory explanation of the suspicious actions.

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A boat with two persons on board, which was going from Havana to Regla, on crossing the bay found itself intercepted by a wire which seemed to come from the dry dock in the direction of the Maine. The men in the boat had to lower it to be able to pass. These men, whose names are kept secret for the present, intend to present themselves and report the facts to the commission, which is expected here to investigate the Maine disaster.

A Spanish woman, recently arrived from Spain, on hearing of report of disaster, said to a number of persons who she

ter, said to a number of persons who she supposed were all Spaniards:
"So the Maine has been blown up No wonter. I was told yeaterday not to go near the wharf, as the ship was going to be blown up."

Another suspicious incident is that a few seconds after the accident several Spaniards from a distant part of the city all said:

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"That is the Maine which has blown

up "
Santos Guzman, representative of the
Spanish constitutional Julon, was at his
house in Cerro entertaining some friends.
Soon as he heard the explosion he said: "I guess that is the boat that has blown up in the bay."

The disaster has been cause of great

bottles of champague were opened in Ha-vana to cerebrate the killing of the Amer-

icans.

A dispatch from Madrid to the Diavio Marina says that Al Nacional, the organ of Weyler, constantly refers to the blowing up of the Maine, without expressing any regret that the disaster occurred.

At the Navy Department at 11 o'clock this morning the following bulletin was posted:

"One hundred and twenty five coefficients."

"One hundred and twenty-five coffins containing 125 of the Maine's dead are now buried, and nine are ready to oe

are now buried, and nine are ready to oe buried to morrow."

The President and Secretary Long, after an extended conference this morning, decided that the United States should make an investigation as to the cause of the Maine disaster independent of the Spanish authorities.

SHE IS BEFOGGED.

New York, Feb. 19,—The Vizcaya is still three miles off Sandy Hook light-ship, where she is likely to remain until this afternoon or pessibly to-morrow. A dense fog has settled over the city and harbor and it is also eb., tide. She will come up North river and give the customary salute of twenty-one guns.

SURVIVORS DYING. Key West, Feb. 19.—Five out of eleven survivors of the Maine in the hospital at Havana are dead. The rest are not expected to survive their injuries.

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BIG FIRE AT PITTSBURG.

The National Wall Paper Company's

Bill Introduced in Congress to Devote \$4,000,000 for This Purpose. Washington, Feb. 19 .- A bill appropria

ting \$4,000,000 to provide a battleship to replace the Maine was introduced in the House this afternoon by Mr Foote, of New York

GLADSTONE AT DOVER. London, Feb. 19.—Mr. and Mrs. Glad-stone arrived at Dover to day on their way home from the South of France.

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Richmond, January 25, 1898 Richmond. January 25, 1898.

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GETTING READY FOR THE FRAY.

Coast Defenses and Strategic An Attempt Made to Recover Val-Points Are Being Strengthened.

Washington, Feb. 19.—While the administration at Washington spared no effort all day to foster the belief they claimed to hold, that the blowing up of the Maine was an accident, the President and his advisers have been unable to conceal from the public that Generals Miles and Long, with the approval of the President, after consultation with him, have been ordering the strengthening of the garrisons in every fort and at every strategic point along the Atlantic coast and on the Gulf of Mexico, and have also sent orders to all the navy yards to prepare all war vessels not yet ready for instant service. In fact everything is being done to put the country in a state of defense to resist possible invasion and prepare for offensive operations as well.

To night's dispanches to the New York Sun from all the citles of the Atlantic coast where extensive fortifications are erected show the garrisons have received orders from Washington to prepare for erentualities. In a number of instances the garrisons have been reinforced.

If Spanish warship Vizcaya had not been enshronded in fog, as; she lay off Scot. and Lichtship all day to-day, waiting for the weather to clear, her officers, with their marine glasses, could have seen 100 artillerymen and officers disembark from a revenue cutter. They were sent to Sandy Hook under a detail of officers to man the great guns there at a moment's notice and can be made to rise out of hidden batteries and send enormous projectiles to sea in any direction for a distance of twelve miles.

The torpedo boat Gwin was launched at Newport to slay. At Fort Schnyler, off the sound, which guards the eastern entrance to New York, engineer corps were drilled all day. Secret orders were received. The sound for several hundred yards out is mined with torpedoes.

Willet's Point detenses in the sound were reinforced by a detachment of 50 men, who came so unexpectedly that no quarters were available for them. At Fort Warren, Roston harbor, ammunition and 1,500 rounds for the battery have been ordered.

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At Mobile, Ala., Charleston, S. C., and the navy yard at Norfolk, Va., scenes of greatest activity were visible. Assistant Secretary of War Melkeijohn made a secret visit to Secretary Alger, who is fill at Fortress Monroe. Both inspected the defenses there.

The Subshine Gallery, 305 Jefferson street, is still here and still making six large photographs for 50 cents.

WARSHIP FOR HAAANNA. An American Fighter to be Kept at Cuba's Capital.

Washington, Feb. 19.—An important statement made by Secretary Long to-day was that in the course of time an other warship will be sent to Havana.

"How long will be regarded as proper before this step is take?" the Secretary was asked.

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The reply was that the time cannot now be fixed.

Building Entirely Destroyed.

Pittsburg, Feb. 19.—Fire broke out in the National Wall Paper Company's building, a nine-story structure, on Penn avenue, near Ninth street, about 1:30 o'clock, and burned flercely for "several hours, calling into service the entire fire department of the city.

The flames were confined to the one building. Loss on building and stocks, \$125,000.

BOAMAGE SUIT DECIDED.

Luray, Feb. 19.—The case of Miss Julia O. Pitman's executrix, against the Norfolk and Western Railway Company for \$10,000 damages, which has been before the cternit court for three days, ended this evening by the jury rendering a judgment for \$2,500. Miss Pitman was killed by a train at Rileyville on December 18, 1895, aged 56 years. The railway will appeal.

IRVING'S SEVERE LOSS.

London, Feb. 19. -All the properties and cenery of half a dozen plays belonging scenery of half a dozen plays belonging to Sir Henry Irving have been destroyed in the fire which was discovered after mid-night in the archway under the London, Chatham and Dover railroad near the Ludgate Hill station, which was used as a storehouse for the scenery of the Lyceum Theatre.

ROUSS' LIBERAL OFFER.

New York, Feb. 19.—Charles Breadway Rouss sent to Mayor Van Wyck to-da letter in which he offered the city a letter in which he offered the city of New York a duplicate of the Barthold statute of Washington and Lafayette, re-cently presented to the city of Paris.

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SCHOLARSHIP \$35.

The Times has for sale a scholarship in the National Business College; price \$35.

INEXPERIENCED DIVERS.

ables From the Wreck.

Havana, Feb. 19.—The lighthouse tender Bache arrived this morning bringing two divers. One diver went down after a platform was built over that portion of the Maine where the hole was torn in her ocw. He went into Sigsbee's cabin in search of valuables, but while down his armor was Dierced and he was compelled to come to the surface again. Sigsbee found these divers inexperienced, they being unable to go further down than thirty feet, and he ordered more experienced divers from Key West and also electric lighting apparatus. Work was then suspended. Sigsbee has not yet learned whether the explosion was the result of accident or design and all other reports to the contrary are untrue.

The search will be resumed to-morrow, when the other divers arrive. Many more bodies were recovered to-day, but were so mutilated and decomposed that recognition was impossible, and they will be burled at once. Many of the work ided, who have not yet recovered the senses, have in their delicium been that sing they were fired on by guns from the Spanish fort, and they think they are manning the guns and tighting Spain.

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Fine large photos 6 for 50 cents at the Sunshine Gallery, 305 Jefferson street.

"GOVERNOR" SAM JONES.

Atlanta, Feb. 19. -Rev. Sam Jones, whose unique evangelistic methods have won him notoriety in every section of the country, created a sensation this afternoon by announcing his candidacy, in the impending gubernatorial contest. Mr. Jones promises to publish his platform in full next week and assures the politicians he will not be the "bind dog."

NEW TRIAL REFUSED.

Chicago, Feb. 19—Adolph L. Luetgert's motion for a new trial has been over-ruled and he was to-day sentenced by Judge Cary to life imprisonment. Application to supreme court for supersedeas and new trial will be made at once.

VIRGINIA PRESS ASSOCIATION. Richmond, Feb. 19.—The executive committee of the Virginia State Press Association, at a meeting here this evening, decided to hold the next meeting of the association at Virginia Beach Tuesday, July 12.

TO BE AMBASSADOR.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 19.—The appointment of Count Cassini as ambassador to the United States, instead of minister, is gazetted.

SEIDL HONORED. Berlin, Feb. 19.—Herr Anton Seidl has been offered the conductorship of the

Royal Opera. DE LOME BURNED IN EFFIGY.

efligy was burned and hanged here tonight. DON'T BUY A WHEEL until you have examined the Spalding. We sold quite a number of wheels last season, and so far we have not had ONE COMPLAINT of any kind. How is that for a Record Breaker. The Fishbarn Co.,

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